

**ABSOLUTE RATING:** Good  
**IMPROVEMENT RATING:** Below Average

Number of high schools with students similar to ours: 31. The absolute ratings for those schools ranged from unsatisfactory to excellent. For the improvement ratings, the range was from unsatisfactory to excellent.

(Definitions of School Rating Terms on Page 4)

#### RATINGS OVER A 4-YEAR PERIOD

	Absolute Rating	Improvement Rating
<b>2001</b>	Good	Below Average
<b>2002</b>		
<b>2003</b>		
<b>2004</b>		

#### TENTH GRADE PASSAGE OF ONE OR MORE SUBTESTS OF THE EXIT EXAM

	Our School			Schools With Students Like Ours		
	1999	2000	2001	1999	2000	2001
• Passed all 3 subtests	63.0	63.0	69.9	57.6	61.7	62.1
• Passed 2 subtests	16.8	17.8	18.1	21.0	19.1	19.3
• Passed 1 subtest	11.0	12.5	8.3	13.0	12.2	11.4
• Passed no subtests	9.2	6.7	3.6	8.4	6.9	7.2

ELIGIBILITY FOR LIFE SCHOLARSHIPS	Our School	Schools With Students Like Ours
% of seniors eligible for LIFE Scholarships at four-year institutions	21.5%	14.6%
% of seniors who met the SAT requirement	21.5%	15.2%
% of seniors who met the grade point average	31.1%	41.3%

Beginning in 2003, the graduation rate for each high school will be included in the school rating.

#### PERFORMANCE BY STUDENT GROUPS

Seniors			
Student Group	Exit Exam Passage Rate by Spring 2001	Eligibility for LIFE Scholarships	Graduation Rate
<b>All students</b>	92.8%	21.5%	N/A until 2003
Students with disabilities other than speech	64.7%	0.0%	
Students without disabilities	96.3%	22.8%	
<b>Gender</b>			
Male	89.7%	18.5%	
Female	95.2%	26.6%	
<b>Ethnic Group</b>			
African American	89.6%	8.9%	
Hispanic	100.0%	100.0%	
White	95.0%	26.4%	
Other	100.0%	50.0%	
<b>Lunch Status</b>			
Free/reduced-price lunch	87.7%	8.3%	
Pay for lunch	95.7%	28.7%	

#### STUDENTS IN CAREER AND TECHNOLOGY COURSES

Mastering core competencies	80.1%
Completers placed	100.0%
Eligible students enrolled	64.9%

## SCHOOL PROFILE

### INDICATORS OF SCHOOL PERFORMANCE

	Our School	Change from Last Year	Schools with Students Like Ours	Median High School
<b>SCHOOL</b>				
• Dollars spent per student	\$5,991	N/A	\$5,767	\$5,668
• Prime instructional time	91.8%	Up from 90.5%	89.5%	90.1%
• Student-teacher ratio	27.4 to 1	N/A	24.0 to 1	25.1 to 1
<b>STUDENTS (n=932)</b>				
• Advanced Placement/ Int'l Baccalaureate Program Exam Success Ratio	22.2%	N/A	30.0%	40.0%
• Attendance rate	95.5%	Down from 95.8%	94.9%	95.3%
• Retention rate	12.2%	Up from 9.8%	11.1%	10.0%
<b>TEACHERS (n=58)</b>				
• Professional Development days per teacher	9.2 Days	Up from 6.4	7.5 Days	7.5 Days
• Attendance rate	97.0%	Up from 95.5%	95.7%	95.7%
• Teachers with advanced degrees	34.5%	Down from 35.5%	44.8%	49.4%
• Continuing contract teachers	81.0%	Up from 79.4%	81.8%	81.0%
• Teachers with out-of-field permits	6.9%	Up from 1.6%	3.8%	3.0%
• Teachers returning from the previous school year	81.1%	Down from 81.7%	84.8%	85.2%
• Average teacher salary	\$38,137	Up 2.4%	\$37,145	\$38,125

#### SCHOOL FACTS

	Our School	Change From Last Year	Schools with Students like ours	Median High School
<b>SCHOOL</b>				
• Dropout rate	0.8%	Up from 0.7%	3.6%	2.9%
• Percentage of expenditures spent on teacher salaries	54.5%	N/A	56.0%	56.4%
• Principal's years at the school	2.0	N/A	4.0	3.0
• Percent of parents attending conferences	38.1%	N/A	67.7%	60.1%
• Opportunities in the arts	Good	N/A	Good	Excellent
<b>STUDENTS</b>				
• Older than usual for grade	10.5%	Up from 10.3%	10.8%	10.1%
• Suspended or expelled	105	N/A	33	29
• Gifted and talented	15.1%	Down from 19.5%	6.3%	7.4%
• With disabilities other than speech	14.4%	Down from 14.6%	12.3%	10.7%
• Career/technology students in co-curricular organizations	5.0%	N/A	8.7%	4.5%
• Enrollment in career and technology center courses	605	N/A	372	350
• Career students participating in work-based experiences	18.0%	N/A	28.4%	23.1%



## PRINCIPAL'S / SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT COUNCIL REPORT

The 2000-01 school year was spectacular for North Myrtle Beach High School. Our goals were to focus on results and to increase student achievement. Many students participated in service learning projects that modeled life skills and increased community involvement. Our accomplishments included:

- Exit Exam scores increased 12.1% in mathematics and 6.3% in reading.
- Seniors were awarded more than \$1.25 million in scholarships.
- Six students were recognized as Palmetto Fellows.
- More than 45 students produced and performed "Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat" to sold-out audiences.
- The wrestling team completed its first season third in Region VI-AAA while maintaining an overall GPA of 3.78.

We are moving toward achieving the performance goals included in our strategic plan. We have made significant gains in school safety measures, the number of Personalized Learning Plan conferences, and the number of students with disabilities earning a diploma. We will continue to strive for our goals of increasing student and teacher attendance, higher End-of-Course Test scores, higher SAT scores, and increasing enrollment in Advanced Placement courses.

We also implemented Hospitality and Tourism as a new career major for students during this academic year. Next year, we will offer another new major, Golf Course and Landscape Technology. Programs are in place to increase student performance on the SAT, BSAP Exit Exam, and district End-of-Course Tests. Additionally, student enrollment in AP History, AP Calculus, and AP English has increased.

Porter Kennington, Principal

## EVALUATIONS BY TEACHERS AND STUDENTS

Percent	Teachers	Students	Parents
Satisfied with learning environment	89.7	66.2	(Avail. 2002)
Satisfied with social and physical environment	81.0	57.1	
Satisfied with home-school relations	63.2	72.1	

## DEFINITIONS OF SCHOOL RATING TERMS

**Excellent** – School performance substantially exceeds the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal.

**Good** – School performance exceeds the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal.

**Average** – School performance meets the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal.

**Below Average** – School is in jeopardy of not meeting the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal.

**Unsatisfactory** – School performance fails to meet the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal.

North Myrtle Beach High  
3750 Sea Mountain Highway  
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**Grades** 9-12 High School

**Enrollment:** 932 Students

## Principal

Porter Kennington 843-399-6171

## Superintendent

Dr. Gerrita Postlewait 843 488-6717

## Board Chair

Helen M. Smith 843-236-3333

## THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

Annual School  
Report Card

**2001**

School Grade:  
Good

## South Carolina Performance Goal:

By 2010, South Carolina's student achievement will be ranked in the top half of the states nationally. To achieve this goal, we must become one of the five fastest improving systems in the country.

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